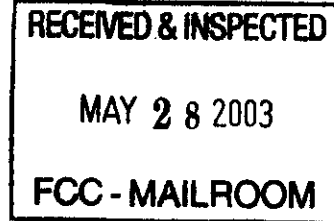


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May 9, 2003

Mr. Michael Powell  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street NW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Mr. Powell:

Re: Increasing Media Monopoly: Don't Do It!

I urge you to promote a diverse, balanced, and competitive media by not further deregulating the rules on media ownership on June 2.

The reason you are not hearing more on this issue from the American public is that the current media does not inform us when concentration of media ownership is about to increase. Why would they? Airing those stories might cause ordinary people like me to get angry and actually complain. This is a good example of why the media must NOT be further deregulated. Federal regulation CAN be a good thing--and in this case, it is vital to our country's freedom of the press and to democracy itself.

We allow media companies to use the airwaves in exchange for their assurance that they're serving the public interest, and it's the FCC's job to make sure that's so. Please hold the FCC to its mandate and oppose the rule change.

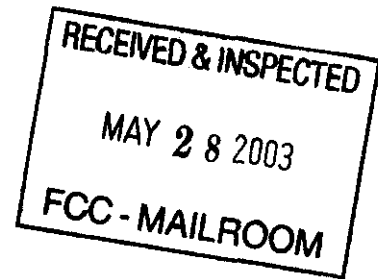
Sincerely,



Barbara Buchanan  
10921 Ferndale Road  
Dallas, TX 75238

May 27, 2003

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Commissioner Kevin J. Martin  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Docket - 02-277

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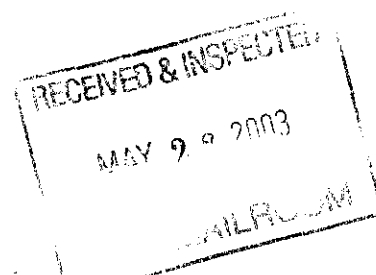
I'm concerned about some of the specific proposals now before the Commission regarding broadcast ownership. I support the proposals to bring more diversity to radio ownership as a correction for the loss of diversity and localism. I do not agree that allowing further concentration of television ownership, and allowing greater television and newspaper cross ownership, will improve news coverage.

The rise of cable, satellite TV and the Internet have not altered the fact that most people still rely on their local TV stations and newspapers for news. Concentration of ownership has been a disaster for radio. Please don't let it happen to TV. We the people have a right to some regulation of limited public resources such as broadcast frequencies.

Sincerely,

*Frank Berrilli*

Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S. W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554



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Gentlemen/Mesdames:

I am writing in reference to limiting ownership of TV  
and radio stations.

I am an 88-year old citizen of Republican persuasion. In  
general, I espouse the aphorism: "The less government, the bet-  
ter."

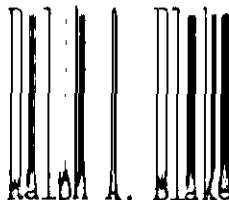
Nonetheless, I believe in certain instances government  
must be in charge and be a regulator.

The airways are a public trust. No one has a natural  
right to them.

TV and radio stations can exert tremendous power. Too  
much power in the hands of an individual or organization  
can be troublesome and undemocratic.

Therefore, I ask the FCC not to further weaken ownership  
standards.

Very truly yours,



1825 N. Stapley Dr. #1081  
Mesa, AZ 85203

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Dear Mr. Martin,

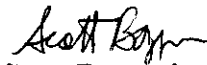
I strongly urge you to NOT change the broadcast ownership rules that currently protect Americans from media monopolies. If these proposed "broadcast ownership rules" are adopted, independent voices and views across America could be silenced by huge media corporations in direct defiance of the right to Free Speech.

These changes would create opportunities for media conglomerates to gain almost total control of radio and TV news and information in every region of the US. In effect, this could allow domination by one media company. They'd be the only deciders of which views to allow on the air and which to censor or gag. Furthermore, the corporations, such as Viacom/CBS and Disney/ABC, now lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership rules, have already been known in the past for keeping opposing views off the air and these proposed changes would give these groups even greater power to keep opposing views off the air and out of the newspapers.

We, as Americans, need and deserve to hear varying viewpoints on all issues.

Therefore, for the sake of Our Republic, created by our ForeFathers, and thus our freedoms, protected under the US Constitution including the right to Free Speech, I strongly urge you to continue the broadcast ownership protections that have helped to ensure a healthy political debate in America. Thank you for your time and thank you for hearing my view.

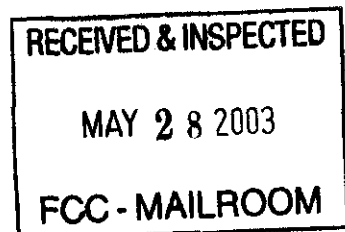
Sincerely,



Scott Bazzani

15320 Nancy

Southgate, MI 48195





May 22, 2003

The Honorable Michael K. Powell  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC. 20554

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*The American people deserve to hear more than one point of view on important issues. Therefore, for the sake of our democracy and our freedom, I urge you to continue the broadcast ownership protections that, for decades, have helped to ensure a healthy political debate in our country.*

Sincerely,

*Kenneth Crane*  
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4055 Royal Ave. #142  
Eugene, OR 97402

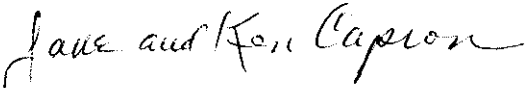
May 16, 2003

Michael Powell, Chair  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> St. SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Mr. Powell:

We are concerned about this June 2<sup>nd</sup> decision on further deregulation of media and hope that you will allow thorough discussion of all sides of the issue and consider the effects of what sounds like erosion of freedom of the press. The Bill of Rights is precious, and it offers safeguards of democracy for all the people. No one should threaten our rights, not even moguls of giant corporations.

Sincerely,

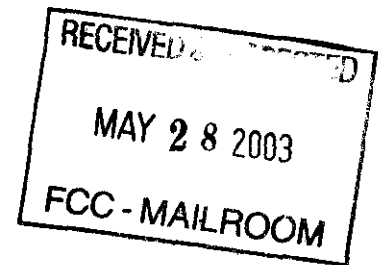


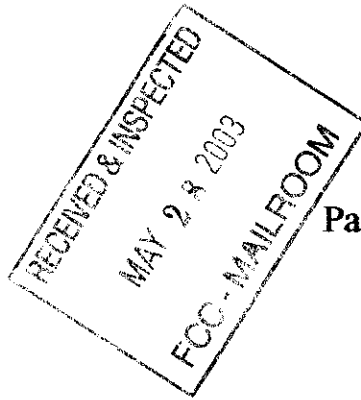
Jane and Ken Capron

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3174 Bryant Street  
Palo Alto, California 94306  
May 20, 2003

Michael K. Powell  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th St. S.W.  
Washington D.C. 20554

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Dear Mr. Powell:

We would like to register with all the commissioners our very strong belief that relaxing rules that allow for a smaller number of owners of media is a recipe for disaster. Even now we get very little coverage of the corporate power moves reported in language the layperson understand.

You are charged with protecting the public interest. And the public interest is best served when there is less concentration, not more, of ideas and power.

Our thinking is NOT a minority view. You need to remember that in your vote on June 2. This issue has NOT been covered with any enthusiasm in the media. It is easy to understand why. It is YOUR job to keep competition in the media from dissolving.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Paul and Mary Carlson. The signature "Paul Carlson" is written in a cursive script, and "Mary Carlson" is written below it in a similar cursive script.

Paul and Mary Carlson

Box 263

Worthington MA 01098

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Dear Mr. Powell:

I am strongly opposed to any proposed rules change to permit concentration of control of the media. The proposed rules changes should be made public and open for public comment for at least 60 days before any changes are considered. The media and airwaves belong to the American people and it is up to the people to decide how these should be controlled.

I urge you to take immediate action to ensure that the American public has an opportunity to evaluate the proposed changes and to state its opinion on the future of its airwaves.

I look forward to your response

Sincerely,

Helen Cruise



The Federal Communications Commission  
445 - 12th St. S.W.  
Washington DC. 20555  
The Honorable Michael Powell, Chairman  
Dear Sir,

May 12, 2003

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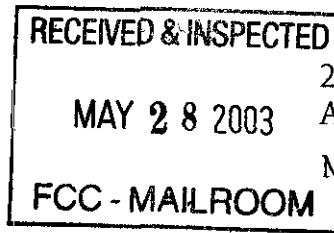
I am writing to you & all members of the committee - word has gotten to me that someone has submitted a request to the committee asking you to relax the broadcast ownership rules - I am asking you - Please do not relax these rules.

If this took place our freedom to choose what we watch or listen to via the airwaves would be taken from us. Huge media corporations could get control of the industry & deprive us of the choice to choose. We would lose a very valuable option in our lives.

What I want to see is a continuation of what we now have - Every variety of choices available to all of us. Please keep it this way. To keep a strong and free system we need this choice -

Thank you, Very much.

Sincerely,  
Roberto Campbell  
Spokane, WA 99205



29 Holly Hill Drive  
Amherst, NH 03031  
May 16, 2003

Ms. Kathleen Abernathy  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

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**JUN 03 2003**

**Distribution Center**

Dear Commissioner Abernathy:

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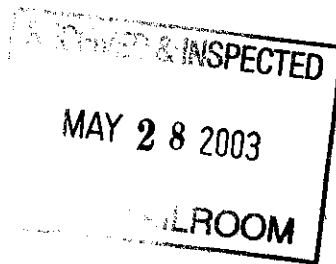
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Reporters try to be fair, but you know that editors and company managers can squash anything they don't like. Some people can use the Internet for news now, but not the majority. So we have to assure good competition in all media and locations. Please help preserve this. Thanks.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bruce DeRienze".

Bruce DeRienze



29 Holly Hill Drive  
Amherst, NH 03031  
May 16, 2003

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Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

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MAY 8 2003

Director's Office



To: Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW  
Washington DC 20554

Re: Proposed FCC Media Consolidation Rule  
Broadcast Ownership-Docket 02-277

From the  
Robert P. Danielson Family  
7 Laurel Way, Kentfield  
CA 94904-2618

Media Corporations should be taxed for the use of the people's airways and that money should fund an expanded not-for-profit network.

A democracy cannot function without diversity of ownerships nor without diversity of voices throughout the political spectrum.

Please no more give aways; please work for what is fair for OUR airways.

We thank you in advance for your serious rethinking and consideration of this Consolidation Rule.

Everlasting,

Anne Kent Danielson

May 17, 2003

May 8, 2003

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US Federal Communication Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Representative Dunn;

Subject: Regulation of the Nations airways.

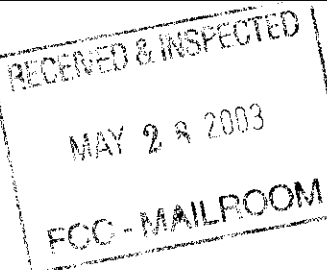
This letter is to protest any chance that the federal communication commission will deregulate our airways any further. It is imperative that communications remain available with an antenna, and the requirement that cable companies continue to carry local channels. It is also imperative that limits to the number of channels, newspapers and radio stations in any one market be controlled. All the deregulation that occurred when cables and satellite market were given (almost literally) additional space has not produced any additional viewpoints. We have reality TV that is of no value except wasted time, and dummyming of Americans. The major networks; ABC, CBS and NBC do give us, the news with slight variations of bias and then our newspapers help us sort out the bites we get from these reports. Since these networks are owned or owners of cable affiliates depending on which you chose, they do not reflect alternatives but a continuation of the bias that already exists and do not add any further value, but explosion in higher cost. Too allow the newspaper market to be tied to this same communication would further hurt the American free speech and right to get something valuable from the complete package of the media.

So much of the broadcast news is sound bites and with reference; if you wish further information link to there web-site but relinquish personal information that should not be needed. If they require this personal information to follow a story they reported lightly, I do not believe they are using our airway to the public good.

Most importantly the FCC and congress should always keep the public radio stations and the television programming available and funded to the broadest capacity available. Allowing them the same chances to meet the needs of their individual markets that they have now: i.e. local control through their pledge drives and community feedback. Any further links to web site for additional information on reported subject should never require personal information.

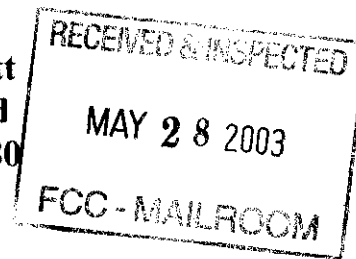
Sincerely,

Kathy Doman



*THIS WAS SENT TO MY CONGRESS REPRESENTATIVE  
I'M ASKING YOU FOR MORE  
PUBLIC HEARINGS ON YOUR  
PROPOSALS, SO  
AMERICAN PEOPLE  
ARE AWARE  
OF THEIR LOSS IF  
FURTHER  
DEREGULATED*

**Gordon W. Everitt**  
**9701 Gruett Road**  
**St. Louis, MI 48880**  
**989.681.5963**



The Honorable Michael J. Copps, Commissioner  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

May 20, 2003

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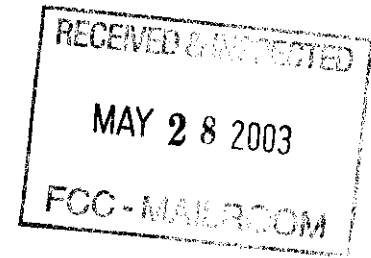
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Sincerely,

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Mr. Gordon W. Everitt

**Gordon W. Everitt**  
**9701 Gruett Road**  
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The Honorable Kevin J. Martin, Commissioner  
Federal Communications Commission  
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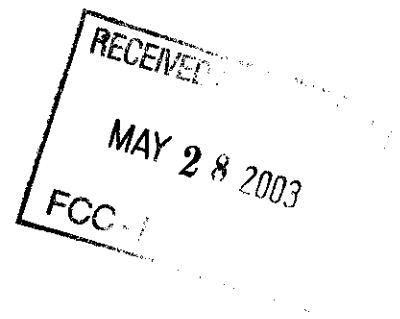
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The Honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein, Commissioner  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

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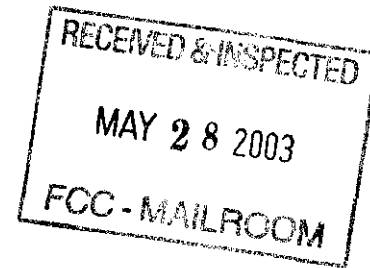
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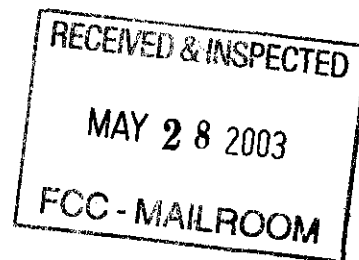
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The Honorable Kathleen Q. Abernathy, Commissioner  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

May 20, 2003

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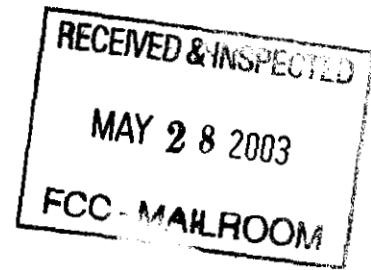
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Mr. Gordon W. Everitt

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2724 Elvyra Way  
Sacramento, CA. 95821

May 23, 2003

Commissioner Kevin Martin  
445-12<sup>th</sup> St. S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Commissioner Martin:

As to the upcoming vote (June 2<sup>nd</sup>) on the removal of virtually all restrictions on ownership of media outlets, I urge you to extend the deadline to provide for public input on this very important matter. The public is entitled to broad knowledge as to what is happening in all arenas.

Changing these restrictions amounts to creating a giant monopoly upon the communication system. This is not healthy for our democracy.

Thank you for giving attention to my views.

Sincerely,  
Eleanor G. Fenton



Mrs Eleanor G. Fenton  
2724 Elvyra Way Apt 45  
Sacramento CA 95821-5852

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2724 Eloya Way  
Sacramento, CA 95834  
May 23, 2003

Commissioner Kathleen Abernathy  
445 - 12<sup>th</sup> St. S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Commissioner:

I am very concerned about your proposal to eliminate virtually all restrictions as to ownership of media outlets. I believe we need to have the free flow of information from a variety of sources, not from a limited choice of viewpoints.

I urge your extending the vote deadline (June 2) to allow public meetings to be held about this unhealthy change of rules.

Thank you for your consideration of my position.

Sincerely,

Eleanor G. Fenton

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2724 Eloya Way  
Sacramento, CA 95834

May 23, 2003

Commissioner Michael Powell  
445 12th St. S.W.  
Washington, D.C.  
20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to urge you to extend the deadline on the vote to remove virtually all restrictions on the ownership of media outlets. At this point in time, we are in need of more knowledge, not a narrowed channel of information. This is vital for the survival of our democracy -- an informed citizenry fed by free press and media.

Public hearings should be held. Secret meetings gives the impression of behind the scenes manipulation. Thank you for giving attention to my views. As chairman, your vote carries great weight.

Sincerely,  
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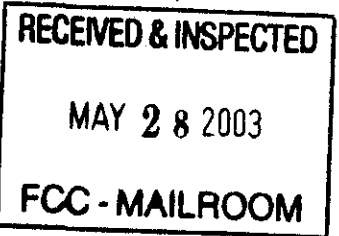
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Sincerely,

Alice M. Fellman  
4326 53RD ST  
SACRAMENTO CA 95820-4138

Mrs. Alice Fellman  
4326 53rd St  
Sacramento CA 95820-4138



Dear HON. M. K. POWELL

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EMERYVILLE, CA 94620